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## COLORADO RECEIVES \$1.95 MILLION IN HHS EMERGENCY FUNDS

### ALLARD CALLS LIHEAP EMERGENCY AID BOOST TO LOW INCOME FAMILIES

Washington, D.C. – U.S. Senator Wayne Allard (R-CO) announced that the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Low Income Home Energy Assistance has awarded Colorado \$1,953,881.

“I am pleased that the Department of Health and Human Services has awarded Colorado this emergency aid,” Allard said. “This award will assist low-income households with energy costs, which is good news for the small children, senior citizens and persons with disabilities it is aimed at.”

LIHEAP assists more than 4.6 million low-income households each year with energy costs related to extreme heat and cold. States determine which low-income families receive LIHEAP support. The Department of Energy’s Energy Information Administration predicts that home heating oil prices this winter will be more than 20 percent higher than the average of the last five years. There is a remaining \$100 million in the contingency fund to be reserved for future energy emergencies. .

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